

**Minutes of the Stafford County Public Schools  
Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee  
September 21, 2006**

Orientation in School Board Chambers

Welcome and comments by School Board Chairman Ed Sullivan and Interim Superintendent Andre Nougaret

Meeting continued in Professional Development Center Room 14

Welcome and Introductions

Welcome by Kathy Burant, new Director for Career & Technical Education.  
All members introduced themselves and described their background as well as their interest in serving on the council.

Call to Order

- ◆ Welcome by Byron Hinton, last year's Chairman, who presided over the meeting
- ◆ Members Present: Byron Hinton, Jerrell Maple, Marie King, Jeff Bloomer, Canice Graziano, Mary Harrison, George Bond, Julie Thomas, Allen Watkins, Edie Allyn, and Kathy Burant. Dr. Elaine Strauss attended the general orientation meeting. School Board Liaison Doreen Phillips arrived near the conclusion of the meeting and offered her welcome and support.
- ◆ Membership Roster – no changes were made

Minutes

- ◆ Minutes from the May 15, 2006 meeting were approved as written

Old Business

- ◆ Review of Constitution and By-Laws
  - Kathy Burant mentioned that according to the CTE Advisory Council By-Laws elections of officers were to have been conducted at the last meeting of the year. After discussion, the council agreed that we should consider revising our By-Laws to reflect electing officers at the first meeting of the year. Since elections were not held at the last meeting, it was also agreed that elections would be held tonight.
- ◆ Officer Elections for 2006-2007 – nominations and elections were held. The following positions have been filled:
  - Chairman – Byron Hinton
  - Vice-Chairman – George Bond
  - Secretary – Edie Allyn
- ◆ Review of 2005-2006 Goals and Objectives. Kathy Burant recommended that since there were so many new members to the committee, that each member reviews the current School Board Goals and both the CTE Advisory Council Goals and the Goals Assessment for 2005-06 and brings

their ideas and recommendations for the 2006-07 goals to the next meeting.

#### New Business

- ◆ Know-How Virginia calendars were distributed in member packets. One of the students highlighted for March 2007 is Stafford Senior High School graduate Kevin Cogley. Council members were also asked to consider nominating other SCPS success stories. Ann Emerson (Career Specialist) was commended for her efforts in helping to publish the calendar. The calendar is produced free of charge by the Virginia Career Education Foundation and their affiliates. All 9<sup>th</sup> graders receive the calendar as well as school board members, CTE advisory committee members, and other selected individuals. Allen Watkins suggested that there may be other ways to distribute the calendars while still effectively getting the information about CTE to the high school and middle school students. New ideas for distribution will be discussed in the future.
- ◆ Adult Education is currently undergoing revamping so as to better meet the needs of Stafford County residents and to boost enrollment. Classes will be offered in the spring based on input from the public. George Bond suggested that since financial literacy is a major focus by the Virginia DOE, it could possibly be an offering for adult education.
- ◆ We will be sending CTE and academic teachers and administrators to the Virginia Jump\$tart Financial Literacy Summit in Richmond on October 18, 2006. Topics to be addressed include financial literacy and economic education in both the middle and high school curriculum.
- ◆ Kathy Burant said that Bill Leap, Video Production teacher at Brooke Point, is establishing media contacts at each school through Stafford Teen News (STN). STN is a county-wide initiative that will produce school news stories which will air on local cable networks. Jeff Bloomer suggested that the STN could produce footage to air during CTE Month (February 2007).
- ◆ Future meetings will be held in the Professional Development Center or rotated among the schools. Kathy Burant will check availability of locations. All meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m.
  - October 3, 2006
  - November 7, 2006
  - January 31, 2007
  - March 20, 2007
  - May 15, 2007

Next meeting – October 3, 2006 – 6:30 p.m. Site TBD.